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PR 6051 .R55 E38 2015

Eeny meeny / M. J. Arlidge.

Again and again, two people are abducted, imprisoned, and left with a gun. As hunger and thirst set in, only one walks away alive. It's a game more twisted than any Detective Helen Grace has ever seen. If she hadn't spoken with the shattered survivors herself, she almost wouldn't believe them. Helen is familiar with the dark sides of human nature, including her own, but this case -- with its seemingly random victims -- has her baffled. But as more people go missing, nothing will be more terrifying than when it all starts making sense.

PR 6052 .A465 O547 2015

Only a promise / Mary Balogh. Survivor's Club, book 5.

Ralph Stockwood prides himself on being a leader, but when he convinced his friends to fight in the Napoleonic Wars, he never envisioned being the sole survivor. Racked with guilt over their deaths, Ralph must nevertheless move on... and find a wife so as to secure an heir to his family's title and fortune. Since her seasons in London ended in disaster, Chloe Muirhead is resigned to spinsterhood. Driven by the need to escape her family, she takes refuge at the home of her mother's godmother, where she meets Ralph. He needs a wife. She wants a husband. So Chloe makes an outrageous suggestion: Strike a bargain and get married. One condition: Ralph has to promise that he will never take her back to London. But circumstances change. And to Ralph, it was only a promise.

PR 6053 .O425 S26 2015

The Santangelos / Jackie Collins. Lucky Santangelo, book 10.

A vicious hit. A vengeful enemy. A drug-addled Colombian club owner. A sex crazed Italian family. And the ever powerful Lucky Santangelo has to deal with them all, while Max, her teenage daughter, is becoming The "It" girl in Europe's modeling world. And her Kennedyesque son, Bobby, is being set up for a murder he didn't commit. But Lucky can deal. Always strong and unpredictable with her husband, Lennie, by her side she lives up to the family motto -- Never cross a Santangelo.

PR 6055 .N73 G74 2015

The green road / Anne Enright.

Ardeevin, County Clare, Ireland. 1980. When her oldest brother Dan announces he will enter the priesthood, young Hanna watches her mother howl in agony and retreat to her room. In the years that follow, the Madigan children leave one by one: Dan, not a priest, for the frenzy of New York under the shadow of AIDS; Constance for a hospital in Limerick, where petty antics follow simple tragedy; Emmet for the backlands of Mali, where he learns the fragility of love and order; and Hanna for modern-day Dublin and the trials of her own motherhood. When Christmas Day reunites the children under one roof, each confronts the terrible weight of family ties and the journey that brought them home.

PR 6107 .R426 D48 2015

The devil's workshop / Alex Grecian. Scotland Yard Murder Squad, book 3.

London, 1890. A small group of the city's elite, fed up with the murder rate, have made it their business to capture violent criminals and mete out their own terrible brand of retribution. Now they are taking it a step further: They have arranged for four murderers to escape from prison, and into the group's hands. But the plan goes wrong. The killers elude them, and now it is up to Walter Day, Nevil Hammersmith, and the rest of Scotland Yard's Murder Squad to hunt the convicts down before they can resume their bloody spree. But the Murder

Squad may already be too late. The killers have retribution in mind, and one of them is heading straight toward a member of the Murder Squad, and his family. And that isn't even the worst of it. During the escape, one of the killers has stumbled upon the location of another notorious murderer, one thought gone for good, but who is now prepared to join forces with them. And Saucy Jack has learned some new tricks while he's been away.

PR 6113 .O544 B44 2015

The beekeeper's daughter / Santa Montefiore.

England, 1932: Grace Hamblin is growing up in a rural idyll. The beekeeper's daughter, she knows her place and her future -- that is until her father dies and leaves her alone. Alone, that is, except for one man who she just can't shake from her thoughts... Massachusetts, 1973: Grace's daughter Trixie Valentine is in love with an unsuitable boy. He's wild and romantic, and in a band that might be going somewhere. But when tragedy strikes and he has to go home to England, he promises to come back to Trixie one day, if only she will wait for him. Both mother and daughter are searching for love and happiness, unaware of the secrets that bind them. To find what they are longing for they must confront the secrets of the past, and unravel the lies told long ago.

PS 3515 .E48 S73 2015

The stampede / James B. Hendryx. (1951)

Adventure is where you find it -- and young Til Carter found it in a hurry when he headed north into the toughest country in Canada with Gordon Bettles, the hardiest old sourdough this side of hell. He also found a beautiful redhead named Julie Condon, who wanted him to settle down and buy into a safe claim, but Til had faith in Bettles's prophecy: "Somewheres, on some river, the big strike's comin'. An' when she comes, an' the news of it hits the outside, there's goin' to be the damndest gold rush the world has ever seen."

PS 3515 .O4448 C75 2015

The crimson hills / L. P. Holmes. (1947)

Luke Lilavelt has built his Window Sash brand into a cattle empire using methods to add to his holdings that have been bloody and only marginally within the law. For the last several years this has been accomplished largely through Dave Wall, who has been acting as Lilavelt's trouble-shooter. Wall's reputation has suffered considerably by his association with Lilavelt, but Dave Wall has been motivated not by the pay he receives from Lilavelt, who is both a miser and a coward, but by blackmail. Jerry Connell, married to Wall's sister and the father of three children, has been building his ranch into a successful enterprise. Luke Lilavelt has a Wanted poster naming Connell as a fugitive from New Mexico. If Wall were to refuse to do Lilavelt's bidding, Lilavelt will expose Wall's brother-in-law, destroying Jerry Connell's life and that of his wife and children. When Wall is sent into the Crimson Hills country to ruin rancher Bart Sutton so Lilavelt can take over Sutton's Square S Ranch, he saves Sutton's life instead. Then comes the explosion. Jerry Connell is arrested and Wall becomes Lilavelt's worst enemy.

PS 3551 .D34 B57 2015

Biscuit-shooter / Clifton Adams. (1971)

Willie McGuire was one of those jug-headed cowboys who just couldn't seem to stay out of trouble. Basically a harmless -- if somewhat foolhardy -- fellow, he certainly hadn't meant to tangle with Jeremy Hooker, the most feared killer in the territory. But Willie had one too many one night and darned if he didn't accidentally break the gunman's leg. He sobered up right fast the next morning when his sidekick related the incident and left town pronto, hoping the whole thing would be forgotten. But Hooker was a man with a long memory and Willie had seriously damaged his reputation, not to mention his leg. His \$1,000 reward for Willie's capture was enough to send every bounty hunter and lawman hard on Willie's trail. Knowing that a trail outfit always looks after its own, Willie took the job of a cook for the northward bound Circle-M outfit -- the best insurance he could have against a killer like Hooker. But life wasn't meant to be simple for Willie and it wasn't long before he had to leave this blessed security and ride alone again -- not a pleasant prospect for a man wanted by every bounty hunter in the territory.

PS 3553 .L287 M45 2015b

The melody lingers on / Mary Higgins Clark.

As the sole assistant to a famous upscale interior designer, Lane Harmon, mother to five-year-old Katie, is accustomed to visiting opulent homes around the tri-state area. A born optimist, Lane finds the glimpse into these gilded worlds fascinating, and loves the reward of exceeding the expectations of their often-demanding owners. When she is called to assist in redecorating a modest townhouse in Bergen County, she knows the job is unusual. Then she learns the home belongs to the wife of a notorious and disgraced financier named Parker Bennett. Parker Bennett has been missing for two years. He dropped out of sight just before it was discovered that the \$5 billion dollars in the fund he had been managing had vanished. Bennett had gone out on his sailboat in the Caribbean. Was it suicide or had he staged his disappearance? The scandal around his name has not died down. His clients and the federal government all want to trace the money and find Bennett if he is still alive. Lane is surprised to find herself moved by Mrs. Bennett's calm dignity and apparently sincere belief in her husband's innocence. Gradually, Lane finds herself drawn to Mark, the Bennetts' son, who is similarly determined to prove that his father is not guilty. Lane doesn't know that the closer she gets to the Bennetts, the more she puts her life -- and her daughter's life -- in jeopardy.

PS 3553 .O843 N46 2015b

Nemesis / Catherine Coulter. FBI Thriller, book 19.

When Special Agent Lacey Sherlock foils a terrorist attack at JFK airport, she thinks her job is done and turns the reins over to the New York FBI. But stopping the grenade-carrying crazy was only the beginning. Another plot unfolds nearly simultaneously with a bomb at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The terrorist at JFK refuses to speak to anyone but Sherlock. She heads back with counterterrorist Special Agent Cal McLain to try to get him to talk. Meanwhile, Savich -- with the help of Agent Griffin Hammersmith -- has his hands full trying to track an elusive murderer who looks like a Hollywood Dracula. When Dracula's attempts to kill Savich collide with Sherlock's terrorist case, very strange things happen. Who is really behind the bombing attack at St. Patrick's? How does Savich's mysterious killer fit into Sherlock's terrorism investigation? Savich and Sherlock race against the clock, as more lives are in danger with every passing minute.

PS 3554 .E472 R33 2015b

Radiant angel / Nelson DeMille. John Corey, book 7.

After a showdown with the notorious Yemeni terrorist known as The Panther, John Corey has left the Anti-Terrorist Task Force and returned home to New York City, taking a job with the Diplomatic Surveillance Group. Although Corey's new assignment with the DSG -- surveilling Russian diplomats working at the U.N. Mission -- is thought to be "a quiet end," he is more than happy to be out from under the thumb of the FBI and free from the bureaucracy of office life. But Corey realizes something the U.S. government doesn't: The all-too-real threat of a newly resurgent Russia. When Vasily Petrov, a colonel in the Russian Foreign Intelligence Service posing as a diplomat with the Russian U.N. Mission, mysteriously disappears from a Russian oligarch's party in Southampton, it's up to Corey to track him down. What are the Russians up to and why? Is there a possible nuclear threat, a so-called radiant angel? Will Corey find Petrov and put a stop to whatever he has planned before it's too late? Or will Corey finally be outrun and outsmarted, with America facing the prospect of a crippling attack unlike anything it's ever seen before?

PS 3554 .E9273 E94 2015

Ever after / Jude Deveraux. Nantucket brides, book 3.

Life is anything but perfect for Hallie Hartley, a young physical therapist who has given up nearly everything -- even her love life -- for her beautiful blonde stepsister, Shelly. Though Shelly's acting career has never taken off, she has certainly perfected the crocodile tears to get what she wants -- which all too often means Hallie's boyfriends. When Hallie arrives home early from work one fateful day, she makes two startling discoveries that will turn her life upside down: Not only has a mysterious relative left Hallie a house on Nantucket, but Shelly has been trying to steal it. Desperate to put her troubles behind her, Hallie impulsively flies to Nantucket. New trouble, however, has already settled into Hallie's guest room in the form of her newest client. Hallie is told that wealthy, young James Taggart has injured his leg in a skiing accident. Assuming that the devastatingly handsome man has led a charmed life, Hallie is surprised by Jamie at every turn throughout his recovery. His attentions

draw her out of her shell -- but he has a dark secret, and is tormented by nightmares that only her presence can keep at bay. She suspects there's more to his injury than he's letting on. On this gorgeous island rich in history, magic is everywhere, even in Hallie's own backyard. As Jamie's relatives arrive for a wedding gala, something wonderfully unusual is in the air. There's an aura of romance -- enhanced by a pair of matchmaking ghosts and a colorful island legend. In their own little corner of the world, Jamie and Hallie unravel the timeless secrets of their own hearts, and a very special story of True Love destined to last forever after.

PS 3555 .V2126 W533 2015b

Wicked charms / Janet Evanovich and Phoebe Sutton. Lizzy and Diesel, book 3.

Murdered and mummified more than ninety years ago, bootlegger Collier "Peg Leg" Dazzle once found and rehid a famous pirate's treasure somewhere along the coast of New England. A vast collection of gold and silver coins and precious gems, the bounty also contains the Stone of Avarice -- the very item reluctant treasure seeker, Lizzy Tucker, and her partner, Diesel, have been enlisted to find. While Lizzy would just like to live a quiet, semi-normal life, Diesel is all about the hunt. And this hunt is going to require a genuine treasure map and a ship worthy of sailing the seven seas... or at least getting them from Salem Harbor to Maine. Greed is eternal and insatiable, and Lizzy and Diesel aren't the only ones searching for the lost pirate's chest. There are people who have dedicated their entire lives to finding it, and are willing to commit murder or make a deal with the devil, just to hold the fortune in their hands. One of those people may even be Wulf, Diesel's deceptively charming and enigmatic cousin. Wulf desires the Stone of Avarice. He also desires Lizzy. It's hard to say how far he's willing to go to gain either one.

PS 3557 .A71645 T95 2015

Twice in a lifetime / Dorothy Garlock.

Clara Sinclair has learned to live one lonely day at a time. It was the only way she managed to survive her husband's death in World War II and raise their young son alone. But now she's at a loss as to how to handle the defiant teenager he has become, even as she struggles to keep her family financially afloat. She's fresh out of ways to turn her luck around -- until a daring stranger's unexpected kindness sparks hope she hasn't felt in a long time... Drake McCoy lives for risk, speed, and putting his incredible drag racing skills to the test. One night in this quiet rural town is all he needs to win a big score and be on his way... until he meets Clara. Drawn in by her quiet strength and her beauty, Drake is tempted to become someone he never imagined -- a family man. But a vicious and unseen enemy is closing in fast, throwing Drake and Clara's fragile future into a dangerous tailspin. Can their love survive?

PS 3557 .R198 S54 2015

The silenced / Heather Graham. Krewe of Hunters, book 15.

Lara, a congressman's media assistant, suddenly quits her job -- and disappears on the way to her Washington DC apartment. Novice FBI agent Meg Murray, a childhood friend of Lara's, gets a message from her that same night, a message that says she's disillusioned and "going home." To Richmond, Virginia. Meg discovers that she never got there. And bodies fitting Lara's description are showing up in nearby rivers. Could she be the victim of a serial killer? Meg is assigned to work with special agent Matt Bosworth, a hard-nosed pro in the FBI's unit of paranormal investigators -- the Krewe of Hunters. They trace the route Meg and Lara took more than once in the past, visiting battlefields and graveyards from Harpers Ferry to Gettysburg. Places where the dead share their secrets with those who can hear. As Meg and Matt pursue the possibility of a serial killer, they find themselves in the middle of a political conspiracy. Is there a connection? And who -- besides each other -- can they trust?

PS 3557 .U4866 H66 2015

Home of our hearts / Robin Jones Gunn. Christy and Todd: The married years, book 2.

Christy and Todd both made important promises long ago. Todd assured his dad he'd stand with him if his dad ever got remarried. Christy promised her best friend she'd be there for Katie when she walked down the aisle. Both wedding days have arrived and Christy and Todd couldn't be happier. What neither of them ever guessed was that they'd need to fly halfway around the world to keep their promises and participate in the weddings of these two people they love. Plans are made, tickets are bought. They say they are learning to trust God even when the future is uncertain. However, an unexpected phone call uproots Christy and Todd the night before

their flight to Kenya and a frightening diagnosis leaves the young couple questioning their next decision. Todd reveals hidden hurts from his childhood and Christy struggles to understand her place with her mother and her aunt. Will the obstacles prevent them from keeping their promises? Or will they draw closer to each other and find a way to celebrate as they discover the deeper meaning of the word home?

PS 3562 .E353 G6 2015b

Go set a watchman / Harper Lee.

Maycomb, Alabama. Twenty-six-year-old Jean Louise Finch -- "Scout" -- returns home from New York City to visit her aging father, Atticus. Set against the backdrop of the civil rights tensions and political turmoil that were transforming the South, Jean Louise's homecoming turns bittersweet when she learns disturbing truths about her close-knit family, the town and the people dearest to her. Memories from her childhood flood back, and her values and assumptions are thrown into doubt. Featuring many of the iconic characters from *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *Go Set a Watchman* perfectly captures a young woman, and a world, in a painful yet necessary transition out of the illusions of the past -- a journey that can be guided only by one's conscience.

PS 3562 .I5123 W55 2015

Wildfire in his arms / Johanna Lindsey. Sequel to: *One heart to win* (2013)

With his work in Montana completed now that the Callahan-Warren feud has ended in marriage rather than bloodshed, Degan Grant sets out for California because it is far away from the home he wants to forget -- until the U.S. Marshal who saved his life calls in a favor. All Degan has to do is apprehend three outlaws on the marshal's list and turn them over to the law. Easy enough, he figures, for a man no one wants to tangle with. But then a bold young woman crosses his path. Maxine grew up so pretty and attracted so much unwanted attention in her Texas hometown that events spiraled out of control. She will try anything to escape the handsome, enigmatic gunfighter who intends to turn her over to a corrupt sheriff who will hang her instead of putting her on trial. Saddled with a sassy, spirited young woman who insists she is innocent, Degan must hunt down a vicious killer and keep an old enemy at bay. But forced into intimate proximity with his beguiling prisoner, he finds his desire sparking into a wildfire of passion, and he can no longer deny that it is time for them to risk confronting their pasts so he can have a chance at a future with her in his arms forever.

PS 3563 .C3523 S59 2015

The sixth rider / Max McCoy. 20th anniversary edition.

It's late in the last century and the Wild West is becoming tamed by telegraph wire, railroads, and the modern methods of federal lawmen. But the Dalton boys, kin to the infamous Younger and James clans, haven't heard the news. Brought up on romantic tales and songs about outlaws, they aim for glory and gold, following in the bloody footsteps of the legendary gangs of the West. Samuel Cole Dalton is the youngest of fifteen children sired by a drunk and raised by a Bible-reading Kansas woman whose love can't keep her brood on the straight and narrow. At thirteen, Sam still has a chance at an honest life, but his fate is decided when he witnesses the cold-blooded shooting of his brother, Frank, by the moonshiner William Towerly. Sam takes off after Towerly, bent on revenge. His only resources are his youth, his fury, and the remarkable shooting skills that are the Dalton inheritance. Tracking Towerly to a mountainside hideout, Sam blows away two bandits, but his real quarry escapes. An Indian girl is chained in the cabin, kidnapped by Towerly, and Sam returns her to her home in the Choctaw Nation. Sidetracked by his love affair with the girl, it is over a year before Sam, now known as the "Choctaw Kid," meets up with his brothers, Bob, Grat, and Emmett. The Dalton Gang goes into business: rustling, robbing, and running from the law. But even as they achieve the renown and riches they craved, Sam can't find the fabled glamour of the outlaw life anywhere. Their last heist is a battle famous in Western history, as legendary as the story of the sixth rider -- the Choctaw Kid -- who manages to escape the violent fate of the notorious Dalton Gang.

PS 3563 .E4496 P74 2015b

The President's shadow / Brad Meltzer. Culper Ring, book 3.

To most, it looks like Beecher White has an ordinary job. A young staffer with the National Archives in Washington, D.C., he's responsible for safekeeping the government's most important documents... and, sometimes, its most closely held secrets. But there are a powerful few who know his other role. Beecher is a

member of the Culper Ring, a 200-year-old secret society founded by George Washington and charged with protecting the Presidency. Now the current occupant of the White House needs the Culper Ring's help. The alarming discovery of the buried arm has the President's team in a rightful panic. Who buried the arm? How did they get past White House security? And most important: What's the message hidden in the arm's closed fist? Indeed, the puzzle inside has a clear intended recipient, and it isn't the President. It's Beecher, himself. Beecher's investigation will take him back to one of our country's greatest secrets and point him toward the long, carefully hidden truth about the most shocking history of all: family history.

PS 3566 .A822 T78 2015b

Truth or die / James Patterson and Howard Roughan.

New York attorney Trevor Mann's world shatters when he receives a phone call telling him his girlfriend has been shot dead in a mugging. But the circumstances point to something more calculated than a random attack. Claire was a New York Times journalist and Trevor is convinced she had unearthed a secret so shocking that she was murdered to keep it from coming to light. Chasing Claire's leads, Trevor will risk everything to discover what exactly she was killed for.

PS 3569 .T33828 C69 2015b

Country : a novel / Danielle Steele.

Life for Stephanie Adams is all about being a devoted mother. For years, she has kept her unhappy marriage a secret, intent on protecting her children from seeing their family break up. Then Stephanie's husband dies suddenly, and she sees a chance for everything to be different. Stephanie strives to balance her children's grief with her desire to move on from the past -- but after years of giving up her life for everyone else, what should she do next? A spur-of-the-moment road trip leads her to Las Vegas, the Grand Canyon, and a chance meeting... and her whole life changes forever. When Stephanie meets country music megastar Chase Taylor, he opens up his exciting world to her. In Nashville, the music is bittersweet and the lyrics true. Now, Stephanie is no longer the same woman. By seizing the day, she has found a way to be free and happy. But can her family find it in their hearts to let her go?

PS 3573 .H555 D38 2015

Daughter of the regiment / Stephanie Grace Whitson.

Irish immigrant Maggie Malone wants no part of the war. She'd rather let "the Americans" settle their differences -- until her brothers join Missouri's Union Irish Brigade, and one of their names appears on a list of injured soldiers. Desperate for news, Maggie heads for Boonville, where the Federal army is camped. There she captures the attention of Sergeant John Coulter. When circumstances force Maggie to remain with the brigade, she discovers how capable she is of helping the men she comes to think of as "her boys." And while she doesn't see herself as someone a man would court, John Coulter is determined to convince her otherwise... As the mistress of her brother's Missouri plantation, Elizabeth Blair has learned to play her part as the perfect hostess -- and not to question her brother Walker's business affairs. When Walker helps organize the Wildwood Guard for the Confederacy, and offers his plantation as the Center of Operations, Libbie must gracefully manage a house with officers in residence and soldiers camped on the lawn. As the war draws ever closer to her doorstep, she must also find a way to protect the people who depend on her. Despite being neighbors, Maggie and Libbie have led such different lives that they barely know one another, until war brings them together, and each woman discovers that both friendship and love can come from the unlikelyst of places.

PS 3602 .A8373 T78 2015

The truth according to us / Annie Barrows.

In the summer of 1938, Layla Beck's father, a United States senator, cuts off her allowance and demands that she find employment on the Federal Writers' Project, a New Deal jobs program. Within days, Layla finds herself far from her accustomed social whirl, assigned to cover the history of the remote mill town of Macedonia, West Virginia, and destined, in her opinion, to go completely mad with boredom. But once she secures a room in the home of the unconventional Romeyn family, she is drawn into their complex world and soon discovers that the truth of the town is entangled in the thorny past of the Romeyn dynasty. At the Romeyn house, twelve-year-old Willa is desperate to learn everything in her quest to acquire her favorite virtues of ferocity and devotion -- a

search that leads her into a thicket of mysteries, including the questionable business that occupies her charismatic father and the reason her adored aunt Jottie remains unmarried. Layla's arrival strikes a match to the family veneer, bringing to light buried secrets that will tell a new tale about the Romeyns. As Willa peels back the layers of her family's past, and Layla delves deeper into town legend, everyone involved is transformed -- and their personal histories completely rewritten.

PS 3602 .L3259 T66 2015b

Tom Clancy under fire / Grant Blackwood. Jack Ryan, Jr., book 8.

On a routine intelligence gathering mission in Tehran, Jack Ryan, Jr., has lunch with his oldest friend, Seth Gregory, an engineer overseeing a transcontinental railway project. As they part, Seth slips Jack a key, along with a perplexing message. The next day Jack is summoned to an apartment where two men claim Seth has disappeared -- gone to ground with funds for a vital intelligence operation. Jack's oldest friend has turned, they insist. They leave Jack with a warning: If you hear from Seth Gregory, call us immediately. And do not get involved. But they don't know Jack. He won't abandon a friend in need. His pursuit of the truth will lead him across Iran, through the war-torn Caucasus, and finally deep into territory coveted by the increasingly aggressive Russian Federation. Along the way, Jack is joined by Seth's primary agent, Ysabel, a enigmatic Iranian woman who seems to be his only clue to Seth's whereabouts. Jack soon finds himself lost in a maze of intrigue, lies, and betrayal where no one is who they seem to be -- not even Seth, who's harboring a secret of his own that harkens back to the Cold War. A secret that is driving him to the brink of treachery. Racing against the clock, Jack must unravel the mystery: Who is friend and who is foe? Before it's over, Jack Ryan, Jr., may have to choose between his loyalty to Seth and his loyalty to America.

PS 3603 .O763 R63 2015

Robert Ludlum's The Janson equation / Douglas Corleone. Paul Jansen, book 4.

Prominent U.S. Senator James Wyckoff hires former government agents-turned-private security consultants Janson and Kincaid to locate his teenage son Gregory. Gregory's girlfriend Lynell has been found strangled in a Seoul hotel, and Gregory has fled the city to avoid being arrested for the crime. But Senator Wyckoff insists that his son is innocent, suggesting that Lynell, who was a translator, may have been murdered because of something she overheard at a recent international conference. And when Janson and Kincaid realize they're being hunted by an assassin, they suspect that this crime -- and the cover-up -- were orchestrated by a shadowy unit of the U.S. State Department as part of a larger plot to provoke violence between North and South Korea.

PS 3604 .E7575 S37 2015

A scourge of vipers / Bruce De Silva. Liam Mulligan, book 4.

To solve Rhode Island's budget crisis, the state's colorful governor, Attila the Nun, wants to legalize sports gambling; but her plan has unexpected consequences. Organized crime, professional sports leagues, and others who have a lot to lose -- or gain -- if gambling is made legal flood the state with money to buy the votes of state legislators. Liam Mulligan, investigative reporter for The Providence Dispatch, wants to investigate, but his bottom-feeding corporate bosses at the dying newspaper have no interest in serious reporting. So Mulligan goes rogue, digging into the story on his own time. When a powerful state legislator turns up dead, an out-of-state bag man gets shot, and his cash-stuffed briefcase goes missing, Mulligan finds himself the target of shadowy forces who seek to derail his investigation by destroying his career, his reputation, and perhaps even his life.

PS 3608 .O623 U34 2015

Ugly love / Colleen Hoover.

When Tate Collins meets airline pilot Miles Archer, it isn't love at first sight. They don't even consider themselves friends. The only thing Tate and Miles have in common is an undeniable attraction. Once that's out in the open, they realize they have the perfect set-up. He doesn't want love, she doesn't have time for love, so that just leaves sex. Their arrangement could be seamless, as long as Tate can stick to Miles' two rules: Never ask about the past and don't expect a future. They think they can handle it.

PS 3612 .O335 R47 2015

Reservations for two : a novel of fresh flavors and new horizons / Hillary Manton Lodge. Two blue doors, book 2.

Food writer-turned-restaurateur Juliette D'Alisa has more than enough on her plate. While her trip to Provence might have unlocked new answers to her grandmother's past, it's also provided new complications in the form of Neil McLaren, the man she can't give up. Juliette and Neil find romance simple as they travel through Provence and Tuscany together, but life back home presents a different set of challenges. Juliette has a restaurant to open, a mother combating serious illness, and a family legacy of secrets to untangle -- how does Neil, living so far away in Memphis, fit into her life? As she confronts an uncertain future, Juliette can't help but wish that life could be as straightforward as her chocolate chip cookie recipe. Can her French grandmother's letters from the 1940's provide wisdom to guide her present? Or will every new insight create a fresh batch of mysteries?

PS 3619 .H535 W55 2015

Wilderness rising / A. L. Shields. The Church Builder, book 2.

Bethany Barclay is fighting to outwit the Wilderness, an ancient and powerful cabal bent on destroying Christianity. Its members murdered her best friend, framed her for acts of terrorism, and captured the brilliant teen hacker she vowed to protect. To ransom the girl, Bethany must find the Pilate Stone a mysterious first-century artifact that might not even exist. But she's not the only one looking for the stone. In an international landscape of double agents, Bethany finds it impossible to tell friend from foe. The Garden, a secret group of powerful intellectuals sworn to save the Church and help Bethany, is collapsing under the rising power of the Wilderness. And an ocean separates her from her only proven ally the lone wolf Ray Fuentes, who has battles of his own to fight. A sparse trail of breadcrumbs takes Bethany across Europe into a labyrinth of academics, art historians, and followers of a reclusive monastic order. As her quest transforms into an ever more complex and dangerous game, unlikely actors in the drama emerge. Some are ruthlessly devoted to preserving a world where faith is possible. Others aim to brutally, and finally, undermine belief. Including her own.

PS 3620 .A9353 I57 2015

The insider threat / Brad Taylor. Pike Logan, book 8.

The United States has anticipated and averted countless attacks from terrorist groups -- thanks in large part to the extralegal counterterrorist unit known as the Taskforce. But a much more insidious evil is about to shatter the false sense of safety surrounding civilized nations. While world powers combat ISIS on the battlefield, a different threat is set in motion by the group -- one that can't be defeated by an airstrike. Off the radar of every Western intelligence organization, able to penetrate America or any European state, they intend to commit an act of unimaginable barbarity. Only Pike Logan and the Taskforce stand in the way of an attack no one anticipates, a grand deception that will wreak unthinkable chaos and reverberate throughout the Western world.

PS 3620 .H75 C63 2015b

Code of conduct : a thriller / Brad Thor. Scot Harvath, book 14.

Hidden deep within one of the world's most powerful organizations is a secret committee with a devastating agenda. Its members are afforded incredible protections -- considered elites, untouchables. But when four seconds of video is captured halfway around the world and anonymously transmitted to D.C., covert wheels are set in motion, and counterterrorism operative Scot Harvath is tapped to undertake the deadliest assignment of his career. What begins as a favor will evolve into a globe-spanning drama of highly personal stakes played out against a backdrop of stunning international intrigue, duplicitous political gamesmanship, and the darkest, most clandestine fears of the espionage world.

PS 3623 .A4437 M33 2015

Madam President / Nicolle Wallace. Eighteen Acres trilogy, book 3.

President Charlotte Kramer is preparing for an in-depth day of interviews with CBS News -- a production that the White House refers to as a "Presidential Day in the Life." The purpose of the CBS filming is to pull back the curtain on President Kramer's second term White House, particularly now that she has all of the scandals of the

first term behind her. Charlotte's new Press Secretary, Dale Smith, is charged with shepherding the two dozen news crews through the day. Dale and Charlotte have a complicated personal history, but they've been able to put the past behind them. Melanie Kramer, the country's secretary of defense, and one of President Kramer's closest advisors is also asked to participate. The perfectly scripted day is upended by a surprise critique from the President's own daughter. While the White House scrambles to prevent the family feud from overtaking the rest of the day's events, the White House staff hears news of an explosion in New York City. A few minutes later, they hear of more attacks. Soon it becomes clear that this is not typical day in the life of the White House. Rather, it's a day of terror and violence that the nation has not seen since September 11, 2001.

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Her brother's keeper / Beth Wiseman.

Charlotte Dolinsky is not above playing dress-up and telling a few lies to find out what happened to her only brother. In fact, that is exactly what she's come to Lancaster County to do. Now, calling herself Mary and slipping on a kapp, Charlotte will lie her way into the confidence of anyone who knows why Ethan had to die. Unless she gets found out first. But when Charlotte befriends a quiet Amish man named Isaac Miller, she begins to rethink her motives. And with a little help from a friend back home, Charlotte might find out that love comes packaged in ways she couldn't have foreseen... Isaac's been caring for his cancer-stricken father and sympathizing with his frustrated mother for three difficult years. And that means he hasn't been dating. He believes Hannah King is the woman for him, but Hannah is still grieving the loss of her fiancé, and Isaac has all he can handle on the farm. When Hannah's family plays host to a woman named Mary, their new cousin shakes things up for all of them. As Charlotte digs deeper into the mystery of Ethan's death, she finds more than she'd bargained for in the community he once called home. But will she ever learn the truth? And what will the community -- and her new family -- do if they learn the truth about her?

Nonfiction

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The stranger she loved : a Mormon doctor, his beautiful wife, and an almost perfect murder / Shanna Hogan. In 2007, Dr. Martin MacNeill -- a doctor, lawyer, and Mormon bishop -- discovered his wife of 30 years dead in the bathtub of their Pleasant Grove, Utah home, her face bearing the scars of a facelift he persuaded her to undergo just a week prior. At first the death of 50-year-old Michele MacNeill, a former beauty queen and mother of eight, appeared natural. But days after the funeral, when Dr. MacNeill moved his much younger mistress into the family home, his children grew suspicious. Conducting their own investigation into their mother's death, the MacNeill's daughters uncovered their father's multiple marital affairs, past criminal record, and falsified college transcripts he used to con his way into medical school. It would take six long years to solve the mystery of Michele's murder and secure a first-degree murder conviction against the once prominent doctor.

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Does this beach make me look fat? / Lisa Scottoline & Francesca Serritella.

The unstoppable, irreverent mother-daughter team presents a new collection of funny stories and true confessions that every woman can relate to. From identity theft to the hazards of bicycling to college reunions and eating on the beach, Lisa and Francesca tackle the quirks, absurdities, and wonders of everyday life with wit and warmth. As Lisa says, "More and more, especially in the summertime when I'm sitting on the beach, I'm learning not to sweat it. To go back to the child that I used to be. To see myself through the loving eyes of my parents. To eat on the beach. And not to worry about whether every little thing makes me look fat. In fact, not to worry at all." So put aside your worries and join Lisa and Francesca as they navigate their way through the crazy world we live in, laughing along the way.